

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Anju Brodbine Oniell Shah
 Amin Hashmi Tom Kaszubski
 Padma Kuppa Hailu Robele
 Charles Yuan
 Cindy Stewart, City liaison
 Kara Huang, student rep

Absent: Flora Tan
 Victoria Lang

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Kuppa, support by Brodbine to approve June 10, 2003 minutes. Approved unanimously.

Correspondence

Kaszubski did contact Victoria Lang re: her resignation. She will forward to the committee.

Old Business

a. EIA Logo & Letterhead – Board likes both. CS will send board an electronic copy of letterhead (b&w and color)

b. Sights & Sounds Program

Tentative schedule is as follows:

Oct. 11- India

Nov. 8- Italy (Tina Silverio)

Jan. 10

Feb. 7- China

March 13

April 16

May 8- Greece

Padma will draft an outline for groups to follow re: how to organize the day's event. Also include a copy of a program they can copy.

Amin will check on Pakistan group and Charles will check on Korean group. Padma will check on Polish families.

Cindy - Check Community Center re: rules of food being brought in.

c. Resource List: Need board members' responses. All will try for next month's meeting. Also get brief description of what the group does.

d. Diversity Week: Mailed Anju's letter to churches, businesses, and schools. She received one response so far.

e. EthniCity Assistance: CS received a booth for the EIA Board under the main info tent. EIA would rather be there than in EthniCity tent. Board still wants to help assist with EthniCity. Ideas are to find volunteers among neighbors, student groups (NHS, SADD, Project Lead and other smaller clubs). Padma is helping Indian group with their booth in the EthniCity tent.

Charles spoke with Chinese School and we can use the dragon for Diversity float. "We are the World" will be the float theme. Bring ideas to August meeting. Check friends/neighbors/businesses for the use of a flatbed trailers. Oniell will check Telly's, Tom's Landscape and Home Depot.

f. Law Brochures: Asst. City Attorney asked for suggestions on her idea for brochures. Tom gave a list of questions asked by members of Mexican and Chaldean when they first arrived. Other ideas from the board include tax laws, marriage, divorce, and domestic violence.

New Business

A. Brochure

- a. Brochure would include board and e-mails, mission statement, goals, sights and sounds info, resource list, diversity week
- b. Prayer Breakfast pictures
- c. Volunteer/mailling list panel

B. Incident at Troy High tennis court- Charles Yuan sent e-mail to board re: Korean residents playing tennis at Troy High tennis courts. Person had a copy of a letter from Troy Community Center saying he could kick anyone off the courts whenever he wanted. Kaszubski will call a school contact and find out what is going on.

C. Cricket Field- next year reserve an area (or new cricket field) and sponsor with EIA board an interactive "everything you ever wanted to know about Cricket but didn't know who to ask." Promote within community- educate kids and adults.

Staff Report – CS will out info related to EIA Board in the Fall Troy Today.

Motion by Kuppa/second by Yuan to adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Next Meeting August 12, 2003